

**WE CLAIM:**

1. An object oriented computer program for operation in a computer, comprising:
- a generic main;
  - a configuration component for configuring the generic main at runtime;
  - a framework connector providing communications between components.

2. An object oriented computer program as claimed in claim 1, wherein said configuration component includes
- a service configurator,
  - a service dispatcher,
  - a service manager, and
  - a service repository.

3. An object oriented computer program as claimed in claim 1, wherein said generic main is independent of an operating system of the computer until configured by said configuration component.

4. An object oriented computer program as claimed in claim 1, wherein said framework connector includes
- a socket for communication over machine boundaries,
  - a upipe for internal communication, and
  - an npipe for communication between components.

5. A method of operating a computer, comprising the steps of:

providing a generic main component;

configuring said generic main component at runtime with dynamic link libraries,

including:

generating a service configuration file;

loading the dynamic link libraries into the generic main;

inserting the generic main configured according to the service configuration file into

programs running on said computer.

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